Before the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission State of Florida

Supreme Court of Florida Inquiry Concerning a Judge Case No.: SC05-555
No. 04-455, Judge John R. Sloop

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Undersigned Special Counsel to the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission (the "JQC") hereby moves for a continuance of the trial of this matter and states as follows:

- 1. This matter is currently set for trial before the Hearing Panel of the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission on March $28^{\rm th}$, 2006 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2. The proposed plea agreement has been rejected by the Investigative Panel, and undersigned counsel is ready to go forward with the currently scheduled trial. However, undersigned has been directed to take certain specific action prior to the trial by the Investigative Panel which requires her attendance at a meeting on April 20th, 2006.
- 3. Undersigned counsel hereby requests that this matter be continued and reset for a period of at least one (1) month **after** the April $20^{\rm th}$, meeting. In addition, undersigned counsel specifically requests that the case not be set during the week of May $22^{\rm nd}$ through May $26^{\rm th}$, 2006, as she has a trip which has been scheduled for some time.
- 4. Counsel for Judge Sloop does not object because he has specific conflicts during the scheduled trial period.

Wherefore, Special Counsel to the FJQC hereby requests a continuance as detailed above.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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